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Academic Research Grants Available in Geospatial Intelligence and Other Intelligence Disciplines

BETHESDA, Md. – The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) today said the U.S. academic community is invited to submit proposals for basic research grants in geospatial intelligence and other intelligence disciplines.

The NGA Academic Research Program (NARP) is an annual solicitation for basic research proposals to provide the scientific basis for advance and applied research in NGA's core disciplines. The NARP grants are awarded under the NGA University Research Initiatives (NURI) and the Historically Black College and University – Minority Institution (HBCU-MI) Research Initiatives programs.

Additionally, NGA serves as the Executive Agent of the Intelligence Community for the Director of Central Intelligence Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (DCI PostDoc), which seeks proposals on topics of interest across the entire Intelligence Community including NGA.

All three Broad Agency Announcements (NURI, HBCU-MI and DCI Post Doc) are posted on the Federal Grants website (www.FedGrants.gov) with the full details published on the NGA website (www.NGA.mil) under "Business Opportunities."

It is anticipated that about \$9 million dollars in new grants will be awarded under the three programs. The deadline for NURI and HBCU-MI proposals is March 28, 2005. The DCI PostDoc deadline is April 1, 2005.

Additional information about the NGA Academic Research Program can be found at www.NGA.mil/NARP. Further information about the DCI Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program can be found at www.DCIPostDoc.org

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